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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Agenda:*

1. "Status of the DOE/ORO 2001 Budget" Ms. Barbara Brower, DOE/ORO

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Pat Halsey at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments at the end of the meeting. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to publication.

*Minutes:* Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Resource Center at 105 Broadway, Oak Ridge, TN between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-922, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576-4025.

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**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG01-131-000]

#### American Ref-Fuel Company of Niagara, L.P.; Notice of Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

February 26, 2001.

Take notice that on February 20, 2001, American Ref-Fuel Company of Niagara, L.P., (the Applicant), with its principal place of business at (c/o American Ref-Fuel Company) 15990 North Barker's Landing, Suite 200, Houston, Texas 77079, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Any person desiring to be heard concerning the application for exempt wholesale generator status should file a motion to intervene or comments with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application. All such motions and comments should be filed on or before March 19, 2001, and must be served on the applicant. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection or on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR01-8-000]

#### Arkansas Oklahoma Gas Corporation; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

February 26, 2001.

Take notice that on January 31, 2001, Arkansas Oklahoma Gas Corporation (AOG), filed pursuant to sections 284.224(e)(1) and 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission regulations, 18 CFR 284.224(e)(1) and 284.123(b)(2), and pursuant to the Commission's order, issued July 18, 1995 in Docket No. RP98-6-000, a petition for approval to maintain its existing maximum rate of \$0.2329 per MMBtu, plus 2.766 percent for company use and lost and unaccounted for gas, applicable to all of AOG's existing and future transportation services provided under its Order No. 63 blanket certificate, all as more fully described in the petition filed therewith which are on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

AOG states it is proposing to maintain its existing rates; it is not proposing to change the rates actually being charges in its existing Order No. 63 blanket certificate transportation arrangements. AOG states that it is only seeking to maintain the existing ceiling rate up to which AOG and its transportation customers may agree upon in any future negotiations.

Pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date of AOG's Petition, AOG's rates for firm and interruptible storage services will be deemed to be fair and equitable. The Commission may within such 150 day period extend the time for action or institute a proceeding in which all interested parties will be afforded an opportunity for written comments and the oral presentation of views, data and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before March 12, 2001. This petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rimshtm> (call 202-208-2222 for